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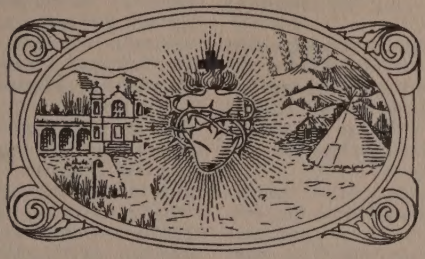

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As Protestants and Catholics alike have been continually inquiring of late: "What's the trouble in Mexico about, anyhow?" it may be advisable to give some of the enactments of the latest legislation or rather usurpation of the Mexican government.

Article 1. "To exercise the ministry of any cult one must be a Mexican by birth:" (therefore wholesale expulsions).

Article 3. "The instruction given in official educational establishments shall be laic; likewise that given in the higher and lower primary branches of private educational establishments:" (therefore to mention the name of God with reverence bears a penalty of 500 dollars, a second offense may close the establishment).

Artirle 4. "No religious corporation or minister of any cult shall be permitted to establish or direct schools of primary instruction:" (raise up little pagans and they'll readily accept the tenets of bolshevism).

Article 6. "The State cannot permit that there be carried into effect any contract, pact or agreement that may have as an object the deterioration, loss or irrevocable sacrifice of the liberty of man, whether it be for the reason of work, education or religious vow; the law in consequence, does not permit the establishment of monastic orders, whatever may be the denomination or the object for which they may seek to be established. . . .

"Monastic orders or established convents shall be dissolved by the authorities, after having made a record of the identification and affiliation of the ex-cloistered persons.

"If it is proved that ex-cloistered persons return to live a community life after the community has been dissolved, they shall be punished with a penalty of from one to two years in prison. In such case, the superiors, priors, prelates, directors or persons who may have a hierarchial standing in the organization or direction of the cloister shall be punished with a penalty of six years' imprisonment."

(Calles doesn't need to say that the monastic property will be gobbled up by him and his hungry gang.)

Article 17. "All religious acts of public worship should be celebrated absolutely inside the Churches, which shall be under the supervision of the authorities."

Article 18. "Nor shall religious ministers or individuals of either sex belonging to such religion, be allowed to wear, outside the churches, special garments or insignia that indicate their religion, under the summary penalty of 500 pesos."

Article 21. "The religious associations known as Churches, whatever may be their creed, shall not have in any case, capacity for acquiring, possessing or administering real estate, or real estate securities; those who do actually have such real estate, either in their own be-

half or through an intermediary agent, shall turn it over to the government of the Nation, the right being granted to anyone to denounce the property that may be found in such case."

Article 22. "The Churches destined for public worship are the property of the Nation, represented by the Federal Government, which shall determine those churches which shall continue destined for the purpose of worship.

"Bishops' residences, parish houses, seminaries, asylums or colleges of religious associations, convents, or any other building that may have been constructed or destined for the administration, propagation or teaching of any religious belief, shall immediately pass, under the law (in full right and title), to the full ownership of the nation, to be destined exclusively for the public use of the Federation or of the States in their respective jurisdictions."

Other articles destroy completely the freedom of speech, of the press and practically deny the substantial citizen rights of all ministers of religion: the punishments to be imposed range from a fine of 500 pesos (dollars), or fifteen days imprisonment or both, up to six years' imprisonment, or an additional punishment, as the court may care to impose. Trial by jury in these cases is out of the question.

The Mexican government in taking over the Church property claims that the jewels, chalices, treasures, etc., and all furnishings within the Church buildings, as well as the real estate and the buildings themselves, are the property of the federal government. Not only this; it further claims all the property and possessions of a personal nature belonging to the clergy, even those acquired by inheritance. This claim is made in virtue of the reform laws and constitution of the reform war period (over fifty years ago), which forbade the Church to own property in Mexico and declared all Church property confiscated and reverted to government ownership. As the government does not know the value of all Catholic properties it demands an inventory of all Church belongings and expects to scoop up a ready eleven million dollars.

It seems that Soviet Russia is carrying out its programme in Mexico, though the Roman Tribuna, a non-Catholic paper, on August 12th, declared that international Freemasonry is responsible for this religious persecution; adding: "International Freemasonry has achieved an integral application of its programme in Mexico."

Be this as it may, the attitude of our American press is one of wilful negligence, gross ignorance or consumate bigotry. We have been surfeited with such expressions as "the law of the land", "the Constitution of the country", "the separation of Church and State"; the evident inference is: "Let Catholics, like others, obey the laws, and there'll be no trouble in Mexico, and this the Methodists and Presbyterians have openly proclaimed. But let the United States government lay claim to the Review Building in Spokane, to the Times Building in Seattle, to the Chronicle Building in San Francisco, to the Otis Building in Los Angeles, and let our officials claim them of full right and title for the United States Government; moreover let our officials order these learned editors to give a full inventory of their earthly possessions, of their villas in the hills and of their personal securities, as all belong to our Government, which wishes to decide to what uses it may seem fit to dedicate them and we'll have extras out denouncing in the strongest terms "the Robber Government". Be it said to the credit of the Episcopalians that they have openly voiced their sentiments against this latest persecution of the church. The "good will" mission, however, sent by the Protestant Churches to officially investigate conditions in Mexico, on August 10th, issued a statement approving the irreligious acts of Calles and issuing many unprovable calumnies against the Catholics. The New York World says that this mission was arranged by the notorious Roberto Habermann, a Roumanian Jew and well-known radical. It is now becoming evident that the position of the American Federation of Labor was brought about by the chicanery of some of the higher-ups working on the ignorance of the rank and file: some of them have been enlightened and are talking up and President Green denies that he

had given approval or support to the government though David Goldstein proves the contrary from facts.

C. S. M. C. CONVENTION.

The Catholic Students' Mission Crusade held its annual convention this year at the Dayton University to give the delegates opportunity to take in the Eucharistic Congress at Chicago. There were over 1000 present, representatives of the Catholic Schools and Colleges of the country. To incite the enthusiasm of the assembly, booths representing missionary activity were set up and will later be shipped for display to various colleges. The Missouri and California Provinces, represented by Mr. Luther, S. J. and Mr. Flynn, S. J., pooled their booth space, giving, what was considered by many, the finest exhibit of the convention. The double booth was draped in lilac folds, thus forming a striking background for the exhibit. In the center were four attractive placards; the first of which proclaimed that. **"Not a cape was turned, not a river entered but a Jesuit led the way."** The second was a colored map of the mission jonrneys of Fathers Marquette and Desmet. Underneath this, a third placard announced the striking fact that: **"One out of every six Jesuits—3,484 out of 19,000 —is an active missionary in the field today."** Last was the striking statement: **"The fourth solemn vow of the Society of Jesus is, 'I promise special obedience to the Holy Father regarding the Missions."** On one side of these was the Missouri Province exhibit, ours on the other; both as follows:

On Missouri, a picture of Father Marquette with the announcement: **"Thirty-six Jesuits of the Missouri Province are working in Dakota and Wyoming among the Sioux and Shoshone Indians"**, illustrated by Indian pictures. Parallel to this, on our side, was a characteristic picture of Father Desmet, founder of our Northwest Missions, while underneath was posted: **"Thirty-five Jesuits of the California Province are working among thirteen Indian Tribes in Washington, Montana, Idaho and Oregon"**, and illustrated by appropriate pictures.

Next came, on the Missouri side, a huge poster showing two large hemispheres with the caption: **"The sun never sets on Jesuit Missions,"** followed by **"3484 Jesuits are toiling in 65 Mission Fields"** with an enumeration of the Mission Territories and the number of Jesuits in each. As the two exhibits were in proportion and harmony all through, our side also bore a large poster ornamented with two hemispheres announcing that **"American Jesuit Missionaries Girdle the Globe'**, followed by **"240 American Jesuits are laboring in 15 Mission Fields"**, and a list of the Mission Fields with the results in number of Churches, Schools, Convents, etc.

Then on the Missouri side was a group of British Honduras pictures with the announcement: **"31 Jesuits of the Missouri Province are working in British Honduras, Central America."** Duplicating this on our side was a group of fifty Alaska pictures with the title: **"25 Jesuits of the California Province are laboring in the heroic mission of Alaska."**

Balanced crosswise in the corner of the Missouri Province side was a picture of the Jesuit Martyrs of North America, Bl. Jogues and Companions, with the subscript: **"American Jesuit Martyrs, martyred in 1649, and beatified, June 21st, 1925. The Missionary Saints of the Jesuit Order include the patron of all Missions, St. Francis Xavier; the patron of the Negroes, St. Peter Claver; the patron of the Japanese Missions, SS. Paul Miki, James Kasai and John de Goto; besides 51 Martyrs, now Venerable, and 105 other Martyrs."** In the opposite corner, in due harmony, our province displayed an oil painting, reproduced from the Vatican Mission Exhibit, of the heroic death of Father Ruppert on the snows of Alaska. Underneath read: **"The last American Jesuit Martyr of Charity, Father Ruppert, S. J., frozen to death, Dec. 23, 1923, at Pilgrim Springs, Alaska, the northermost Mission. He was lost in a blizzard whi'st bearing Christmas gifts for the orphans of Our Lady of Lourdes Mission."**

Alongside the cozy corner, on the Missouri Province side, was a colorful collection of Mission views from its Mission in Patna, East India. Balancing this our side displayed a picturesque group of fifty Alaskan pictures, under the caption: **"Intrepid Missionaries are laboring for Christ when the thermometer goes sixty-five degrees below zero."**

To give a touch of real life to the exhibit, Father Delon, Superior of the Alaskan Missions, came out from Chicago bringing his five Eskimos with him. Mr. Flynn gave five illustrated lectures on Alaska, the Eskimo children operated the stereopticon lantern for him and answered all questions regarding the frozen North. The delegates were astonished at their ready and enlightening responses. Mr. Flynn was selected a Director of the Board of Education for the Crusade and also appointed to write a Paladin series of Round Table Discussions on our Alaskan and Indian Missions. He gladly undertakes the work, relying on our missionaries to send him interesting material.

The general impression at the Convention was that religious and convent girls were there in abundance but that boys and young men were not present in representative numbers. If the Crusade is to do any really lasting work it needs the help of energetic young men and in great numbers.

SACRED HEART NOVITIATE

Retreats—The house Retreat this year was very ably conducted by Father Ed. Whelan, Rector of St. Ignatius College. A few coadjutor Brothers from San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Santa Barbara made the Retreat. Father Gaffney took the first group of nine Postulants who were here for St. Ignatius Day through the Exercises, while Father Keep did the same for those arriving for the feast of the Assumption.

Novitiate—This year the number of Novices has reached a higher mark than for a good many years. Up to the fifteenth of August, the newcomers number no less than thirty-one. All of these did not however come at one time. On St. Ignatius Day nineteen received the cassock. Of this number one is a priest. Eleven more Novices arrived and received their cassocks for the feast of the Assumption, thus bringing the total up to thirty. The thirty-first is a coadjutor postulant. The entire Novitiate now numbers sixty-nine Novices and six coadjutor Novices and Postulants, a sum total of seventy-five.

Status—According to the new status the Juniorate gets an almost entirely new teaching staff. Fathers Bassett and Dunne and Mr. Fagothey are the new appointments. Father Weibel has been transferred to Gonzaga. Mr. Hagemann has been sent to study Theology at Lyons, in France. He was originally scheduled to go to Hastings, England, but the Hastings theologate has been moved to France. The reason for this is that a real attempt is being made this year to break down the barriers that have kept the Religious Orders exiled from France for so many years. The "Dracs" (Droit des Religieux Anciens Combattants), an organization begun about two years ago by one of our own men, Father Donceur S. J., and having for its end the rights of Religious, wishes to have all the religious return to France so as to be able to give this organization moral support by their actual presence. This is one of the many big reasons that urged the Fathers to decide to return. Another factor is that opinion has changed, so it is a case of returning now or never. Since, however, this coup de main is at present theoretically a secret, anyone holding communication with Ours in France should not add the "S. J." at the end of the addressee's name. The common way of addressing seculars in France, and this is the most polite way of addressing Ours at present is e. g. "Monsieur l'abbe Hagemann, 4 Montee de Fourviere, Lyon 5, France", (which is the entire address of the theologate. As regards the rest of the status; Fr. Colligan still remains. Fr. Cunningham is replacing Fr. Meyer as spiritual Father of the house. He is also the Spiritual Fr. of the Juniors, thus freeing the Master of Novices. In the Novitate Fr. Keep has been installed as Socius. He is also making his Tertianship.

MOUNT ST. MICHAEL'S

Arrivals—Father McGarrigle arrived here from Florennes, Belgium, to teach first year, Fr. Kiely taking Fr. Hayes' class. Fourteen Philosophers (with another to come) got here early from Los Gatos, ten from Missouri, seven from New Orleans (another on the way), and two to come from Canada, making a total of 89 Philosophers; 32 in 3rd year, 23 in 2nd, and 34 in first.

Br. P. J. O'Brien replaces Br.

Kish, who is at Gonzaga; Br. Lofaso changed Missoula with Br. Johnson; Br. Bartz went to College Park and Br. Janssen came here from Monte Vergine, Seattle. A Brother Postulant, Mr. Bies, arrived recently from Wisconsin.

Visitors—Rv. Fr. Provincial paid us a short visit, bringing Fr. Cataldo, who gave us a talk on Indian Missions. Fathers Shepherd, H. Buckley, Sharp, D. J. Sullivan, J. McAstocker, Doyle and Lajoie called in for a short visit. Fathers Sullivan and Hayes of the M-N. Y. province dropped in on their way to the Philippines, and Fr. O'Reilly came to say farewell before leaving for Fairbanks.

UNIVERSITY OF SANTA CLARA

Faculty Changes—On Wednesday, July 21st, Father C. J. McCoy was announced as Rector of the University of Santa Clara, replacing Father Z. J. Maher who had served as Rector for five years. Father W. C. Gianera took Father McCoy's place as Vice president and Moderator of Athletics. Father Hubbard replaced Father Charles Budde as Professor of Geology and Mineralogy. Father Budde will teach Chemistry at College Park. Father Dunne, who has gone to the Juniorate, was replaced by Father Swift as the Professor of History and Apologetics. Father Swift, who is from the New Orleans Province, has been at Santa Clara during the summer months giving a course in History. Father Vaughan took Mr. Kelly's place in the Chemistry department. Mr. Kelly is now in charge of Chemistry at Loyola, Los Angeles. Mr. Ferguson is teaching in the Law department.

Cornerstone Blessed—The cornerstone of the new Saint Clair's church on Lexington Ave. was blessed on the afternoon of Sunday, August 15th, with quite an impressive ceremony. His Grace, Archbishop Hanna of San Francisco presided, and was assisted by Father Maher, Father McCoy, Father Crowley, and Father Mellit, the Secretary to the Archbishop. The ceremonies began at 2:30 p. m. A large procession formed in front of the old church on the Campus and from there marched to the site of the new edifice. A life size statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which had just been received from Rome, was carried in the procession, and will be placed in the new church. It is expected that the church will be ready for use the first week in October.

Record Enrollment—An enrollment of over 150 in the Freshman class establishes a new record in the annals of Santa Clara. This is the largest class Santa Clara has yet had. It is expected that there will be around 450 students this term. The enrollment at the Prep School is also gratifyingly large, and demonstrates that the separation of High School and College was the best thing that could have happened to both departments.

Ministry—During the summer, Father Watson replaced the pastor at Merced. Father Ryan has had charge of the parish in Nevada City for two months. Father C. Deeney was in Salt Lake conducting a retreat.

Distinguished Visitor—Very Rev. Father J. Fernandez S. J., the Provincial of Columbia, South America, paid a visit to Santa Clara early in July. He was on his way back from the Eucharistic Congress.

GONZAGA UNIVERSITY

Indian Congress—The Second Annual Indian Congress, held in Spokane in the middle of July, is a thing of the past. It was interesting and picturesque, but not as brilliant as the one held in 1925. Most of the people think that it would be better to hold the Congress in September or October. However, our Catholic Missionaries made the best of the occasion. Fathers Cataldo, Taelman, Neate, Soer, Caldi and Post displayed a wonderful zeal. Several Indian babies were baptized during the festivities. On Sunday the Indians came "en masse" to St. Aloysius' Church to assist at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Rev. Father Cataldo, though on crutches, preached in Nez Perce with remarkable vigor; and Fr. Taelman held the Kalispel Indians spellbound by his wonderful eloquence. During the Mass the Indians sang several hymns in their own language. The Church was actually packed with people. In the evening of the same day the Missionaries held a meeting in the Father's library at Gonzaga, and considered in what manner they could make the future congresses

more advantageous to the Indians in a spiritual sense. They decided that next year they would have an open air Mass in the very center of the Indian village. Most of the Indians who came to the Congress were Catholics.

Summer School—The Summer School has also passed. It has made Gonzaga known and favorably commented upon in many states of the Union. A novelty introduced during the session was the "Intelligence Measurements" conducted by Fr. A. Schmidt, professor of Education. About 30 or 35 children of various schools in the city were invited to come to the University 3 times a week. The teachers of the pupils had prepared a list of the five brightest pupils, the five least bright, the five most industrious, the five who could do better by more application, and lastly the five best in each subject in the intelligence tests. The information given by the teachers was gained by at least one year of observation of these pupils.

By taking the averages from the above and the statistics of the United States at large, it was determined that the average mentality of students in Spokane is about seven months above the average in the United States. This conclusion was highly pleasing to the inhabitants of our city.

First Mass—On August 1st, Fr. Harold Buckley S. J., a former student of Gonzaga, and a native of Spokane, sang his first Solemn High Mass in St. Aloysius Church, in the presence of his parents and a great number of friends and acquaintances. Fr. Keep was Deacon, and Fr. Peter Dunne Sub-Deacon, while Mr. J. Dunne acted as Master of Ceremonies. Rev. Fr. Rector preached a very beautiful sermon.

Toties Quoties—On August 1st, the "Toties Quoties" Indulgence in honor of St. Ignatius proved very popular with the members of the parish. The whole day long many people moved in and out of the Church to gain the plenary indulgences. The Blessed Sacrament was exposed from morning till evening; and it was very edifying to see so many men, women and children kneeling before Our Blessed Lord and fervently praying for the cessation of the persecution in Mexico.

The Fourth—On the Fourth of July Fr. O'Malley showed his practical patriotism by displaying a beautiful silk American flag in the Sanctuary the whole day. The sight of the emblem of their Country's spirit brought to the minds of the parishioners that it was their duty to pray for the welfare of their native land, and that to be a good American one must be a good Christian.

Villa—After a splendid retreat given by Fr. Peter Dunne, the Scholastics went out to Hayden lake. The community at the lake numbers about 30 Fathers, Scholastics and Brothers. The weather so far is excellent most of the time and helps considerably to keep up the good spirit seen among those present.

On the feast of the Assumption the chapel had been converted into a very attractive bower by the tasteful arranging of large bouquets of vines and ferns. Villa will close on the first of September.

High School—Father Coudeyre has taken possession of the office of Principal of the High School and begun operations by mapping out the different tasks to be performed by the teachers during the coming year. This year, for the first time, the Gonzaga High School has its own separate Catalogue. It is neat and complete.

Changes—Father R. Shepherd left for Los Angeles; Fr. Concannon for Nome; Fr. O'Reilly for Fairbanks; Brother Brancoli for Los Gatos.

SANTA BARBARA

It may be interesting to the readers of the Province News to know that throughout the Diocese of Los Angeles and San Diego, there exists the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, for the instruction of children who do not attend the Catholic Schools, and of children above school age whose religious education has been neglected. It is essentially a parish organization; though, if need be, members of the Confraternity may be sent to other places to lend a helping hand.

Both men and women are eligible to membership, which is principally threefold: teaching members, visiting members called "Fishers" and transportation members for conveying teachers and children to and from the centers.

The aim is to have a center as near as possible to each public school, so as to get the children after school before they disband and scatter. As the smaller children are usually dismissed early, it is quite possible for each center to handle a large group.

In Santa Barbara we organized in February and March of the current year; and in this short time we have gathered together 185 children in seven different centers in the proximity of the public schools. Most of these children have never had a word of instruction at home or elsewhere, so that it was necessary at all the centers to begin with the Sign of the Cross. This goodly number of children was gathered without systematic searching and visiting; what the possibilities will be with concerted effort and thorough canvassing, can well be imagined.

It is very consoling both to those in charge of souls and to the teachers, to note the great enthusiasm and anxiety of the children to learn something about God and the Church on the one hand, and the great appreciation, at lease of the better class of parents, on the other. We are living in the hopes of at least doubling the attendance at these centers, this coming school year.

In addition to these centers in Santa Barbara, we also run a regular Sunday school after the children's Mass on Sunday, and a weekly Catechism class at Goleta, which enables us to take care of another hundred children.

OBITUARY

The Fairbanks daily, which bestows the title of **Alaska pioneer** and **revered teacher**, gives the following account of good Brother Marchisio: Brother Bartholomew Marchisio of Holy Cross, for many years a member of the faculty of Holy Cross Mission School, died on the morning of July 2nd at St. Joseph's hospital after a prolonged illness.

Brother Mark, as he was affectionately called by the Mission children, was born in Italy sixty-one years ago. He came to Alaska in 1893, allying himself with such well known men as Fathers Judge, Barnum, Crimont and Jette in Catholic missionary endeavor. Of the uninterrupted thirty-three years in Northern Alaska, Brother Mark spent twenty-eight at Holy Cross and five at Nulato.

The funeral was held from the Catholic Church yesterday morning, July 5th, at 8:30, Father Eline performing the last obsequies. At the church a Requiem High Mass was sung by the pastor who touchingly eulogized the deceased Brother's exalted life and self sacrifice. The church was filled, the various religious denominations being represented.

After the church service the remains were conducted to the local cemetery where Father Eline performed the last rites. R.I.P.

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Father Duffy of Chehalis has been appointed pastor of the new parish formed from the Madrona section of the Immaculate Conception parish, Seattle. The dividing line between the two parishes is 27th Avenue.

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Father Marquette, the first white man and the first Christian missionary to view the site of Chicago, was honored there in July when a bronze statue representing him holding high a cross, with Louis Joliet, fellow explorer, and an Algonquin Indian at his side, was unveiled near the site on the Chicago river where the missionary died.

In the vicinity of the memorial, Father Marquette reared the first place of Christian worship within the present limits of Chicago, then an Indian hunting ground.

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The Protestant Theological Faculty of Utrecht last year announced an open competition on the following subject: "Comparison of the doctrines of St. Thomas Aquinas and Calvin on Predestination." This year, on July 29, a gold medal awarded for the best essay, was conferred on Father Freithoff, a Dominican.

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Guatemala is closely following Mexico in violently enforcing laws against the Catholic Church. One of the recent decrees carries the following rider: "All members of the Society of Jesus, or persons formerly belonging to it, as well as every other Catholic religious Community or Congregation are absolutely forbidden entrance to Guatemala."

In view of the spirit of hatred

against the Church shown by these two would-be governments, it is interesting to hear a Welch Protestant, none other than Lloyd George, publicly declare in presence of the London Baptists: "No, it was the doctrine of the right of man, the equality of man, that was the test, and here I think it right to say in a Protestant church that the Catholic Church in the middle ages and in the dark ages stood up for this principle and emancipated the serfs in this country. We had slaves here and it was entirely through the action of the great leaders of Catholicism, under the influence of that church, that emancipation came. But that was the doctrine of Christ working through that great Church" . . . . and she has not changed since!

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About two weeks ago a bronze marker was dedicated at Stevensville, Montana, the famous Flathead Mission center, to the memory of Fathers Desmet and Ravalli. Many of the old Blackfoot settlers and a large delegation from Missoula were present.

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The Maryland-New York Province is introducing the strict Italian pronunciation of Latin into the Novitiate, Juniorate, and First Year High. The other Provinces of the American Assistancy are awaiting the results of the experiment before following the lead. His Holiness and Father General are very much pleased with the proposition. A four page Key to pronunciation has been printed for common use in the Province.

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The Cardinal Archbishop of Burgos is taking official steps to have St. Peter Canisius proclaimed Patron of Catechists.

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Father Bernard, formerly of St. Mary's Igloo, recently toured the French and Belgian Provinces, giving illustrated Mission lectures in all our colleges.

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Father John J. Wynne and Father Edward P. Spillane of the M. N. Y. Province, recently celebrated the golden jubilee of their entrance into the Society. Ad multos annos!

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The Province of Lyons is removing its theologate from Hastings to Fouviere, Lyons.

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The new scholasticate of the English Province, Bellarmine College, will open this month at Heythrop Hall, Oxfordshire. During the summer vacation the Theologians are moving thither from St. Beuno's and the Philosophers from Stonyhurst; ample accomodations are provided for 82 Theologians and 85 Philosophers.

On St. Ignatius day the Province of New England, comprising the New England States, was declared a fully fledged province and independent of the mother-province. Father General confirmed the financial arrangement agreed on by both provinces. For the present, both provinces will conjointly man and support the missions in Jamaica and the Philippines but their government will remain in charge of the provincial of Maryland-New York.

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With the advent of the new men from Los Gatos the Missionary Society at Mount St. Michael's acquired some valuable stamp collections that had been lying idle down at the novitiate.

Perhaps there are more such collections in the Province.

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Father Keeler of the Missouri Province has been recently appointed to teach Philosophy in the Gregorian University.

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A press dispatch from Mexico City, July 28th, says: "By a strange coincidence amid the religious crisis, two officials of the first civil court which ever tried a Catholic bishop in Mexico for violation of the constitution died yesterday, almost simultaneously, in different parts of the republic. Physicians said the deaths were due to natural causes."

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The Archbishop of Mexico City (the Mercier of Mexico) and Bishop Diaz, S. J., of Tobasco, who were arrested on July 23rd, were not detained in prison. That they are now dickering with Calles, independent of Rome, is a lie.

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News just arrived of the death of good Brother Power in San Jose. No particulars have as yet been received. R. I. P.